Garfield to Cut Hard Coal Prices For All Consumers

Will Fix Schedules of Profits To Be Allowed Retailers, He Says

To Inspect Contracts

Dealers Attempting Trickery Will Be Eliminated; Administrator Asserts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24 .- Dr. Harry A. Garfield, appointed by the President yesterday as Coal Administrator, todiately take steps to reduce the price

President and the coal administration,

It is impossible to predict just how much of a reduction in prices the government's coal control programme will bring, Dr. Garfield said, but it is fairly certain that the reduction in the price of both anthracite and bituminous coal will be considerable. In the anthracite retail trade, he believes overhead charges can be reduced appreciably, with a resultant benefit to the con

Contracts To Be Scrutinized

It was made plain by the coal administration that the closest scrutiny would be made of all existing coal confuel control programme through fake sales will mean that the dealers guilty

mine or group of mines fails to abide by the President's regulations the coal administration will be able to pro-

on are considered potential danger octs. It was pointed out that if operstors declined to pay current wages inder the new prices serious labor disturbances might result. An effort will be made to meet this possibility through the negotiation of voluntary agreements between the operators and

Replying to dealers who predicted that the action of the President in fixing prices at the mine and regulating jobbers would not bring about any appreciable benefit to the public, Dr. Gar-

be limited to the operator and jobber he Hoover Planning is very much mistaken. I believe that a considerable reduction to the conamer can be made without undue tardship to the industry, and I shall belvery much disappointed in my work What end is not accomplished.

Must Meet Conditions

We must adjust ourselves to the

investigating packing methods.

The coal administration as the agent of the government will not hesitate to take drastic action if that is considered necessary. One thing is certained from the season of the general campaign to accomplish the general campaign to accomplish the reservative function of the stream of the food control bill will be mady in the food control bill will be mady in the food control bill will be put any one of them which is applicable to the situation in force."

The lieve," he continued, "that the institution of a licensing system, it is said, may be the next move of the food administration after it has completed plans for the control of the wheat industry.

The Trade Commission has had its believed to-night is about ready to make a report on its about ready to carried the minute of the legal end of the investigation, and t hants. These dealers will be supplied with the coal they need at the price which the government believes will make it possible for them to meet all medities.

The public, I am firmly convinced, will get its coal at the scale thus fixed the consumer will know the price sed naturally will go for his coal to dealers who have the supply and are willing to sell at the figures thus extablished."

Maryland Tobacco

Sets a Record Pr

Found Retail Coal Prices Here Fair

Federal Trade Commission Issues Report on the Situatoin WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—The Fed- cause.

the leaf which goes into cigarettes and smoking compounds.

A buyer said to-day that the supply from Turkey and Egypt has been practically eliminated from domestic manufacture and the Maryland leaf has been used to fill this gap. Competition with French and Dutch buyers who in the past have taken the Maryland crop has sent the price up. The crop is the largest in years. City, in which it found that, in gen-

the operators, the report says:

"Reports were received from 57 of the
50 anthracite retailers in Manhattan
and The Bronx, the yards of three of
these being located in New Jersey, from

these being located in New Jersey, Now which deliveries were made to con-sumers in New York City. The producers and distributors of anthracite, with but few exceptions, have not discriminated against New nave not discriminated against New York City, During the first five months of 1917 New York City retailers re-ceived 2,986,267 gross tons of anthra-cite, which was 10,454 tons more than was received during the correspond-ing period of 1916. The receipts dur-ing June, 1917, were 447,376 gross tons, which was 24 her cent greater these which was 24 per cent greater than during June, 1916. During July, 1917, the receipts were 432,312 gross tons.

the receipts were 432,312 gross tons, which was 44 per cent greater than during July, 1916.

The eight railroad coal companies which sell of New York City retailers shipped 315,567 gross tons of anthracite to them during July, 1917, as against 248,331 tons during July, 1916, an increase of 67,286 tons, or 27 per cent.

"While the quantity of anthracite placed in the bins of consumers so far this season is greater than last year, the demand ras not lessened. This is despite the fact that the production of anthracite has been increasing each anthracite has been increasing each month and it has been stated by sev-eral governmental agencies that there

prices exacted last winter.

"The prevailing prices fr owhite ash anthracite per net ton during July were \$7.70 for broken and egg sizes, \$7.95 for stone and chestnut sizes, \$6.60 for pea and \$6 for buckwheat. These prices were increased 10 cents ices to \$8.25 for stove and chestnut

gins (the difference between the aver-age cost of coal delivered alongside the dealer's yard, and the current price quotations for sidewalk delivery), a retailers, on broken; twenty-seven out of forty-six retailers, on egg; wenty-nine out of forty-six retailers, on stove; ewenty-one out of forty-one dealers, on chestnut."

Local Dealers Pleased By Wilson's Prices

the prices which may be charged by the roducers, the heads of the various local coal companies point out that there is coal companies point out that there is considerable leeway allowed the retailer by that very schedule. For example, they say, retailers purchasing their coal from the railroad coal companies which are allowed to charge as excess of 75 cents a ton because of their higher cost of operation will pay accordingly higher price than those who purchase from other pro-

Then, too, it is claimed that retailers who have not already contracted with the large producing companies may be forced to purchase from individuals, who will, of course, be justified in tak-ing a fair profit for themselves.

will be eliminated from the trade, it was stated.

It is probable, it was said, that Dr. Garfield will organize governmental machinery to take over the entire coal sutput, so that in the event any one mine or group of mines fails to abide

ing a fair profit for themselves.

The large coal producing companies capita requirements.

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Norway needs foodstuffs and has

Increase for Pea Coal

The prices named in Washington," d Mr. Bryan, "do not vary from use set by the companies themselves, those set by the companies themselves except in the case of pea coal. And for that we are to be allowed to charge 90 cents more a ton than we had ourselves scheduled. The President has allowed us \$4.45 a ton for egg, \$4.70 for stove, \$4.80 for chestnut, and \$4.80 for chestnut. These prices, mind you, are

Company, spoke sim-So far as our company is concerned, we will mine every ton of coal possible, and expect to break all our

To Regulate Meat

Goes to Chicago to Confer With Packers on Supervision System

meditions faced, and reductions effectwashington, Aug. 24.—Early regulation of the meat industry was predicted here to-night, following the demae to the household.
Thelieve this can be done without parture of Herbert Hoover, Food Ad-Delieve this can be done without parture of herbert hoover, rood Administrator, for Chicago to confer with ber or dealer, with the possible exception of dealer, with the possible exception of the confermation of the confermati Government supervision of meat

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.-Early reg-

early in the week.

While in Chicago Mr. Hoover will 132 Nassau street.
make an address to the editors of farm
papers meeting there.

Persons returning

Foreign Buying Competition

and Lack of Turkish Leaf

mi Trade Commission made public totay the report of its investigation of the retail coal situation in New York
Gip, in which it found that, in gen-

Neutrals to Get Grain, but Must Aid the Belgians

Food Commission Releases Thirty Cargoes for Holland Under Condition

Sweden Sells Wheat

Turns Over Part of Purchases for Relief in Order to Get the Rye She Needs

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—Belgians will get food quickly and neutrals will have some of their wants supplied. through an arrangement entered into to-day by the Food Commission and the

It was decided to let thirty or Dutch ships sail at once from an Atlantic port carrying grain owned by the that the greater part of the cargoes shall be used for relief of the Belgians

ary, and has been held in elevators ever since. This will go forward immediate-In return, the Swedish government will be allowed to ship 270,000 bushels of rye of the new American crop, which will be available in September or October 19 New York of the Swedish government of the War Industries Board, created recently by President Wilson as a part While President Wilson has fixed of rye of the new American crop, which

Have Complete Statistics exports, imports, manufacture and per

Norway needs foodstuffs and has ships to barter. She is willing to de-vote 1,000,000 tons to the service of the United States if she can get food in return. It is understood that this offer in part has been accepted.

Would Barter Ships

One of the propositions made by Holland was to turn over to the use of the trade of the Entente Allies a large share of her merchant fleet on condition that the ships were not to

erlands Minister, presented the claims and needs of his country and negoti-ated until the proposition finally given him by Mr. Hooover was of such a

The agreement is understood to basic materials.

mainder for the Belgians.

It is understood also that the use of the ships will be given this country both by Norway and Holland for such trade as does not conflict with United States laws, thus releasing much American and Allied tonnage for the carrying of munitions and troops. Congress probably will be asked to make it legal for ships under a foreign flag but with American charter to en-

gage in the coastwise trade.

The general understanding is that a certain amount of the old crop of wheat, with some fats, will be allowed to Switzerland and Denmark as well as to Switzeriand and Denmark as well as to Norway, Sweden and Holland. In every case a promise is obtained from the neutrals that no material furnished them under this agreement is to be reexported to countries with

Threatens Swedes

Sweden if the plans for sending them small shipments of foodstuff are not approved by this government, according to Carl Bruhn, a Swedish-American, of Mr. Bruhn has received reports from

persons returning from Sweden. He says the situation has become much worse since the enforcement of the Sets a Record Price embargo. The people are greatly at next Thursday. alarmed over the prospect of not being able to obtain the proper supply of food this winter, as their own crops are much below normal.

and Lack of Turkish Leaf
Are Causes

BALTIMORE, Aug. 24.—The fine grade of Maryland leaf tobacco sold tograde of market. This is a record price. Sharp competition between domestic and foreign buyers is given as the cause.

Domestic tobacco companies have been active here this season, because of inability to get tobacco from countries on which they have drawn for the leaf which goes into cigarettes and smoking compounds.

A buyer said to-day that the supply embargo act the amount sent in this

Firemen and Watchmen Over-

come in Packing House Fire In many instances.

The report takes up the charges laid select it that the operators were not select it that the packing house district to-night end dangered large food supplies here. The fire in the packing house district to-night end dangered large food supplies here. The fire in the packing house district to-night end dangered large food supplies here. The fire in the packing house district to-night end dangered large food supplies here. The fire in the packing house district to-night dangered large food supplies here. The form operators were select in the packing house district to-night dangered large food supplies here. The form operators were not select in the pa PITTSBURGH, Aug. 24 .- Fire in the

Say Draft Menaces Crops

Livestock Shippers See Danger to American Food Supply

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—Resolutions call-g for modifications in the interpre-tion and administration of the draft Productive League, which opened tions were ordered sent to fresident wilson following a report to the convention by W. R. Stubbs, former Governor of Kansas, in which it was said construction placed upon and the execution of the draft law were taking competent man from the farms of the country to an extent that threatened to curtail seriously the production of foodstring.

The proposition that skilled farm The proposition that satisfied arms labor be replaced by untrained men from the cities was tried by Great Britain with disastrous results," the report said. "We feel that the United States should not repeat this mistake."

Three Americans Appointed to Buy For Allies Here

Baruch, Lovett and Brookings Are Named as Purchasing Board

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24 .- Crestion an Allied Purchasing Commission,

sion was negotiated with the Allied resentatives by Secretary McAdoo the instance of President Wilson, marks the first step of the Presi-toward carrying out his announced cy of seeing that the Allies get r war supplies at the same prices reed the American government

gramme will be put into operation as soon as possible. The American gov-ernment will start with food and fuels, over both of which it has assumed conernments. The American people, too

governments. The American people, too, will share in these prices.

An indirect method of reducing prices generally, which some officials believe would prove efficacious, would be to operate through the government's control of coal. When a licensing system is put in, they point out, industries refusing to meet the government's price suggestions could be denied fuel, and thus forced to comply with the governus forced to comply with the govern- large department store.

ient's demands. The Pomerene bill, pending in Cor for Holland's own use and the remainder for the Belgians.

It is understood also that the use of tries show a ready willingness to meet

the President's price fixing ideas.

Prices the government will pay for steel probably will be fixed within a few days. Information obtained by the Federal Trade Commission in its investigation of production costs has been turned over to the War Industries turned over to the War Industries

Ishii and Sato Confer WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.- The Jap-

nese mission and representatives of his government will not begin serious liscussions on any questions arising from the war or other matters before next week, it was learned to-day. Neither the American authorities n mbers of the mission know how long he mission will remain here.
The permanent Japanese Ambassador Washington, Aimaro Sato, and the

special ambassador, Viscount Ishli, have held lengthy and almost continuous conferences since the arrival of the mission. Ambassador Sato, it is be-lieved, has reviewed for the benefit of lieved, has reviewed for the benefit of Viscount Ishii the internal and international developments in America since the United States entered the war.

Members of the mission were guests to-night at dinners given by Cabinet officers in honor of the diplomatic, military and naval groups. Secretary Lansing entertained Viscount Ishii, Secretary Baker General Sugano and Supertery Daniel Vice-Admiral Take-

Secretary Daniels Vice-Admiral Take-Viscount Ishii will address the Sen



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Baker Picks Labor Standards Board

Sweatshops Not To Be Permitted to Make U.S. Uniforms

Woman on Committee

Mrs. Florence Kelley to Serve with Louis Kirstein and Captain Kruesi

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.-Creation f a board of control immediately for labor standards in the manufacture of army clothes, to prevent government work being done under sweatshop conditions, was announced to-day by Secretary Baker in the following state-

"Secretary Baker announces the exablishment of a board of control for labor standards in army clothing, under tae chairmanship of Louis E. Kirstein. The other members are Mrs. Florence Kelley and Captain Walter E. Kruesi. Q. M. C., U. S. R. Through this board the quartermaster general will be unabled to enforce the maintenance of sound industrial and sanitary conditions. sound industrial and sanitary condi-tions in the manufacture of army cloth ing, to inspect factories, to see that proper standards are established or government work, to pass upon the in-dustrial standards maintained by bid-ders in army clothing, and act so that just conditions prevail.

"The government cannot permit its work to be done under sweatshop con ditions, and it cannot allow the evil widely complained of to go uncorrect Only through the establishment such a body as the board of contro now created will the government be assured that army clothing is manufactured under recognized industrial standards and in an atmosphere of good will between manufacturers and operatives. This alone will assure fit clothing and its prompt delivery for army needs."

an government.

Mr. Baruch for some time has acted to the unofficial purchasing agent of the Allies. Establishment of the comission, to-night's announcement said li brigg a more thorough coordination of American and Allied purchases diresult, in a more effective use of combined resources of the United tes and foreign governments in the secution of the war. Mrs. Florence Kelley is a writer on proved. She has frequently said, for example, that bad working conditions are a cause of commercial vice, and one of the fundamental remedies lies

tory life at first hand, from 1000 1897, when she was State Inspector of harged the American government.
A stipulation laid down by the Presdent in connection with this policy was hat each Allied government force its law producers to sell their products to lift the Allies at prices no higher than tharged their own government.

This international price fixing programme will be put into operation as soon as possible. The American government with food and fuel former Representative William D. Kelley of Philadelphia. She is a graduate lay of Philadelphia.

Boston Workers Act Despite Baker's Step

BOSTON, Aug. 24 .- Louis E. Kirstein, named to-day by Secretary Baker as chairman of the board of control for labor estandards, is identified with the William Filene's Sons Company, a A campaign against the manufacture

of army and navy clothing under improper conditions began here to-day when three shops were organized under the direction of officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America. It became known to-night that the appointment of the board of control by Secretary Baker had been communicated to the general executive committee of the union at its annual session here last week, and that the committee had virtually agreed to refrain from any strike measures until the control board had an opportunity to investigate. The action of the union officers to-day therefore was a surprise.

Shipping Board

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Demands to be presented to the

three employers were formulated at a shop meeting of the workers. They call for a forty-eight hour week, and for a restoration of the former wage for a restoration of the form wags scale, which recently was reduced. Union officials stated that conditions in the three shops had become "un-bearable."

Ferguson Suspended As Texas Governor

Lieutenant Governor Will Hold His Office During Impeachment Trial

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 24.—James E. Ferguson was suspended from the office of Governor of Texas to-night, when the board of nine managers named by the House of Representatives presented to the Senate twenty-one articles of impeachment alleging

official misconduct.
W. P. Hobby, Lieutenant Governor. automatically succeeded to the Gov-ernorship, pending disposition of the charges in the Senate. The Senate formally designated next Wednesday

Russia's Railways a Wreck

Condition of Equipment De-

plorable, Says Traffic Head PETROGRAD, Aug. 24.—"Deplorable" s the word used to describe the condi-ion of railroad equipment in Russia y Chief Traffic Manager Shubersky, in charge of railway transportation along the front. He has just made a report to the Committee of Engineers of the Department of Communications. He declared the work accomplished during the five months since the revolution was "tragic." He cited figures to show that at the end of the present half year

there were 700,000 freight cars less than in the same period a year ago. At the beginning of 1917, said M. Shubersky, there were 34,000 broken locomotives, or 18½ per cent of the to-tal. To-day there are 52,000, or 25 per cent. Similarly the cars out of com-mission were 25,000, or 4.8 per cent, 8 per cent. The speed of trains has been reduced from 72 versts daily to 52.

Soukhomlinoff on Trial

PETROGRAD, Aug. 24.—The case gainst General W. A. Soukhomlinoff, former Minister of War, who is charged with high treason, and his wife, who is accused of being an accomplice, came yesterday before the Cassation Depart-ment of the Senate, assisted for the first time in Russia by a jury. Senator Tagantseff, an eminent au-

thority on criminal jurisprudence, is presiding. The accused are defended by three advocates. The number of witnesses is more than 200. Among them are Michael Rodzianko, President them are Michael Rodzianko, President of the Duma; Professor Paul Miliukoff, former Foreign Minister; Grand Duke Sergius, in his capacity of former In-spector General of Artillery; General Alexel Pollvanoff, former Minister of War; Admiral Ivan Grigorovitch, for-mer Minister of Marine, and other per-sons prominent in civil and military life. The trial is being conducted pub-licity.

General Soukhomlinoff, one of the

information to German and Ausspies in 1911 and 1912. The gen-

Planning to Build 1,270 Vessels

Government's Programme Calls for Addition of 7,698,000 Tons

Billion Dollars Asked

2,000,000 Tons of Shipping in Yards Commandeered by U. S. Not Included

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.-The gov rnment's shipbuilding programme calls for a total of 1,270 ships, of 7,968,000 tonnage, it was revealed to-day in es-timates the Shipping Board has sent to Secretary McAdoo on which to base a request for a new billion-dollar ap-

a request for a new billion-dollar appropriation.

This is in addition to nearly two million tons of shipping now building in American yards, which has been commandeered by the Emergency Fleet Corporation. A large part of the government fleet and of the commandeered fleet will have been completed by June 30, 1918. Building, commandeering and autochases of vessels will total about

ourchases of vessels will total about we billion dollars. Estimates of the entire cost of contruction are given as follows: Contracts already let, 433 ships of 1,919,200 tons, \$285,000,000; contracts ready to let, 452 ships of 2,968,000 tons, \$455,000,000; under negotiations, 237 ships of 1,281,000 tons, \$194,000,000; 150 miscellaneous vessels of 1,800,000 tons, miscellaneous vessels of 1,800,000 tons \$300,000,000; construction of govern-\$300,000,000; construction of government-owned fabricating yards, \$35,

ment-owned fabricating yards, \$30,-000,000, Commandeering will cost \$515,000,-000 and the purchase of ships \$150,000,-000. The board already has received for construction \$550,000,000 and for commandeering \$250,000,000 and for commandeering \$250,000,000, onc \$719,500,000, for commandeering, \$265,-000,000, and for purchases, \$150,000,000. The appropriation asked to carry the board through the fiscal year is divided as follows:

as follows: Building, \$400,000,000; commandeer-ing, \$265,000,000, and purchases \$150,-

000,000.

Chairman Hurley of the Shipping
Board announced that Commissioners
Colby and Stevens were holding final
conferences with ocean shippers in New York on the question of rates. It was expected, he stated, that on their return to Washington announcement would be made of the board's rate achedules.

At the same time, he said, it was probable that a decision would be reached regarding the commandeering of British ships under construction in this country, which has been a subject of protest to the State Department by the British government. Senators Refuse Hearing

On Soldiers' Consent Bill WASHINGTON, Aug. 24. - After somewhat heated arguments the Senate Military Committee to-day decided not to hold public hearings, as re-quested by Senator Hardwick, of Georgia, on his bill to prohibit sending American soldiers abroad without their consent.

The committee decided it would hear

Senator Hardwick alone for one hour next week, but refused to hear a dele-gation of Georgians the Senator desired to have appear. House Naval Committee Reaches St. Thomas

ST. THOMAS, W. I., Aug. 24.—The aval Committee of the House of Repsible for Russian reverses in San Juan, Porto Rico and Guantanamo

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